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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of this application and prior to calculating the filing fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 5-17, 19-23, 25, and 27-30, as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A composition for forming a fabric by spraying onto a supporting surface, the composition comprising fibres fibers, a binder and a diluent.
- 2. (Original) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the binder is a polymer.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the binder has a glass transition temperature (Tg) of at least 15°C, preferably at least 20°C, more preferably at least 30°C.